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## THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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## WASHINGTON, THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA



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Honorable William H. Webster Director of Central Intelligence Washington, DC 20505

Dear Bill:

The Defense Reorganization Act of 1986 assigned the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff responsibilities for oversight of the DoD combat support agencies to enable him to advise me as to the ability of these agencies to support the operating forces in wartime or crisis situations.

The law makes a partial exception with respect to the National Security Agency. The CJCS oversight role applies to NSA only when the agency is performing combat support functions for DoD.

The law provides that the Secretary of Defense, after consulting with the Director of Central Intelligence, shall establish policy and procedures with respect to the application to NSA of those subsections of the Reorganization Act which deal with combat support agencies.

To develop the necessary policy and procedures, I am establishing an ad hoc task group, to be chaired by Mr. Charles A. Hawkins, Jr., Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense (Intelligence). I hereby request that you nominate a representative to be a member of this task group and provide his/her name to the DASD(I).

I trust that the task group effort can be accomplished expeditiously.

Sincerely,

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